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Amendments to the Written Description

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Please replace Pg. 1 paragraph starting at Line 12 with the following, as amended:

Since the roof parts are pivoted relative to each other a seal is needed which in the extended condition of the roof satisfactorily drains off any water having collected on the roof parts when retracting the roof, otherwise there would be a risk of the water gaining access to the vehicle interior when pivoting the roof parts. To achieve a satisfactory seal it may be necessary that a sealing lip of a seal, arranged between the roof parts is squashed in the extended condition of the roof, to automatically right itself to its normal condition when the roof is retracted. This restoring response is influenced by the nature of the material from which the sealing lip is made. Conventional sealing lips are usually made of an elastomeric material which although having a comparatively high elastomeric response, results in a loss of settling springiness with dynamic loading in the long run, to the detriment of its restoring response.

Please replace Pg. 3 paragraph starting at Line 15 with the following, as amended:

Thus, it is of advantage for good practice in fabrication to extrude the sealing section and/or the fastening section in a thermoplastic elastomer (TPE) or ethylene propylene diene monomer (EPDM). Any loss of settling springiness detrimenting the restoring response of the sealing lip, which might arise in the course of time because of the material, is prevented by the restoring element.